IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraphs at page 7, lines 8-12 with the following:

FIGS. 15(a), 15(b) and 17 show a construction of a conventional distance measuring device;

FIGS. 16(a), 16(b) and 18 show the dislocation of the optical system and sensor layouts in the distance measuring device of FIG. 15(a); and

FIG. 19 illustrates the image-forming condition on the sensor of the first embodiment.

Please replace the paragraph at page 10, lines 11-22 with the following:

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The image interval X is determined based on the position D illustrated in FIG. 5 at which the value of the correlation coefficient series f(i) is minimum. Since the correlation coefficient series f(i) is an intermittent value for each predetermined interval (i.e., an integer multiple of the interval p), the position D of the reference part M most closely matching the standard part N can be determined by appropriate interpolation via well-known methods using the smallest correlation coefficient, e.g., f(5), included between a plurality of correlation coefficients, e.g., f(3)-f(7), and a more detailed image interval X can thereby be calculated.